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Hon. LaShann DeArcy Hall, U.S.D.J.  
United States District Court  
Eastern District of New York  
225 Cadman Plaza East, Room 4H  
Brooklyn, New York 11201

**Re: U.S. v. Amaya-Ramirez, 20 Cr. 228 (LDH)**  
**Defense reply to government opposition to second defense request to continue sentencing hearing.**

Dear Judge DeArcy Hall:

Considering the government's interest in giving the victim's family closure in a reasonable amount of time and balancing it with Mr. Amaya-Ramirez's interest in providing all of his personal history relevant under 18 USC 3553(a) to the Court, and recognizing furthermore that the codefendant's sentencing is set for July 16th, I respectfully propose a continuance to July 31<sup>st</sup>. My mitigation expert advised she can have a report prepared by this much shorter date. I proposed this date to the government, but I have yet to receive a response.

If there are any questions, I am available immediately to the Court at 917-751-5754.

Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,  
*Richard Palma*  
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